

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 71, 80, 87-91, 97, 102, and 103 are withdrawn. Claims 3-4, 9, 12-13, 15-18, 20-22, 24-44, 46-48, 50-51, 53, 56-64, 68, 69, 72-79, 81-86, 92-96, 98-107 and 104-114 are cancelled. Claims 1-2, 5-8, 10-11, 14, 19, 23, 45, 49, 52, 54, 55, 65-67 and 70 remain in the application.

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, claims 1-2, 5-8, 10-11, 14, 19, 23, 45, 49, 52, 54, 55, 65-67 and 70 drawn to a biometric, acoustic writing system are elected.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and examination of the application in due course. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney to resolve any questions regarding the present application in order to expedite examination of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing or application fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4365.

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Respectfully submitted,

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